● PRINTER RUSH ● (PTO ASSISTANCE)

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NOTE: This form will be included as part of the official USPTO record, with the Response document coded as XRUSH.

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TABLE 1

Induction									
Lead dissolution				Cupellation					
Pt	Pd	Rh	Αu	41	Pt	Pd	Rh	Au	4T
2.03	2.28	0.198	0.293	4.80	2.32	2.42	0.188	0.380	5.31
2.17	2.37	0.198	0.285	5.02	2.25	2.27	0.188	0.275	4.98
2.03	2.33	0.198	0.280	4.84	2.15	2.26	0.188	0.258	4.86
2.14	2.27	0.193	0.283	4.89	2.1	2.34	0.188	0.300	4.93
2.12	2.38	0,195	0.278	4.97	2.08	2.28	0.180	0.275	4.82
2.17	2.39	0.193	0.285	5.04	2.41	2.32	0.180	0.298	5.21
2.37	2.25	0.185	0.343	5.15	2.02	2.29	0.190	0.333	4.83
2.07	2.33	0.198	0.233	4.83	2.23	2.4	0.193	0.268	5.09
2.20	2.41	0.203	0.293	5.11	2.07	2.31	0.185	0.268	4.83
2.13	2.27	0.190	0.343	4.93	2.07	2.25	0.190	0.275	4.79
2.14	2.33	0.195	0.292	4.96	2.17	2.31	0.19	0.29	4.96
4.4	2.4	2.5	10.4	2.3	5.6	2.4	2.1	12.2	3.5
2.10	2.31	0.208	0.246	4,86	2.10	2.31	0.208	0.246	4.86

Avg %RSD NiS Consensus

The same feed sample was tested in a nickel sulphide fire assay process known in the prior art. The results of these tests are set out in Table 2 below:

TABLE 2

Г	Fire Assay									
Lead dissolution				Cupellation						
Pt	Pd	Rh	Au	4T	Pt	Pd	Rh	Au	4T	
1.57	1.73	0.140	0.270	3.71	1.87	1.75	0.135	0.190	3.95	
2.14	1.94	0.160	0.260	4.50	1.73	1.78	0.140	0.200	3.85	
1,66	1.71	0.150	0.250	3.77	1.77	1.86	0.145	0.185	3.96	
1.84	1,96	0.160	0.220	4.18	1.98	1.99	0,153	0.260	4.38	
2.08	2.11	0.190	0.250	4.63	2.39	2.21	0.170	0.288	5.06	
2.03	2.14	0.180	0.280	4.63	1.97	2.01	0.158	0.318	4.46	
1.94	2.05	0.180	0.460	4.63	1.97	2.15	0.163	0.260	4.54	
2.07	2.14	0.190	0.230	4.63	1.96	2.25	0.173	0.250	4.63	
2.03	2.21	0.180	0.300	4.72	2.37	2.3	0.170	0.260	5.10	
2.23	2.32	0.200	0.280	5.03	2.23	2.2	0.180	0.253	4.86	
1.96	2.03	0.173	0,280	4.44	2.02	2.05	0.159	0.246	4.48	
10.2	9.2	10.7	22.9	9.1	10.9	9.3	9.1	16.5	9.6	
2.10	2.31	0.208	0.246	4.86	2.10	2.31	0.208	0.246	4.86	

%RSD NiS Consensus